

Our Children

BY ANGELO PATRI

A SMART IDEA
"For the love of pity!" exclaimed Miss Marie. Doubling her eyes she removed her glasses, polished them and set them carefully in place on her classic nose. "For the love of pity! What are we coming to?"

It was nearing the close of the term, classes would soon be organized for the next year and the sophomores had been asked to indicate what special courses, if any, they would like to have included in their last year of high school. Jane Ellen, a highly intelligent, dependable girl, had written in a firm and legible hand, "I would very much like to take a course that would teach me all about children as I intend to marry and have a large number of prominent sons and daughters."

"For the love of pity," echoed Miss Marie, this time very thoughtfully. After all, why not? The Jane Ellen's were very likely to marry and have sons and daughters, more or less prominent, and it would seem to be common sense to teach them something about their profession of motherhood. So, why not? She would send in Jane Ellen's request and, what was more, she would back her in it. Jane Ellen was a home student, especially high in mathematics, but if that was what she wanted she ought to have it.

Most girls are going to be married and most of them are going to have children. It is better to learn how to do for them before they come than to make mistakes afterward. Many of the troubles that vex mothers and children could have been prevented if the girl who was to be that mother had been taught how to avoid such troubles.

There are no ironclad rules for the rearing of children. No two, even in the same family, need exactly the same treatment. But there are certain fundamental principles of child-bearing that can be taught and learned and practiced. There are hints that are helpful to mothers. There are experiences recorded for their benefit. There are experts like baby specialists, psychologists, teachers ready to teach what they have learned in their practice with children to those who need that knowledge and experience in their lifework. Courses in child-rearing and child-training ought to be open to girls who are interested. And mothers and teachers ought to be able to interest many an unthinking girl in this, her most important field of learning.

Many behavior problems would never rise to vex parents and teachers if the mother of the

problem child had been trained in her profession. Tantrums are usually caused by wrong management and are usually caused in a way to make them worse because the mother does not know what they are nor what they imply. Many a failing school child could have been successful from the beginning had his mother known how to prepare him for school experiences. I think that a course in child-rearing, and child-training, is a smart idea. I hope the school administration will find it possible to give Jane Ellen and her friends what they want.

Mr. Patri has prepared a special booklet (No. 301) entitled, "Obedience," in which he tells parents how to cope with the difficult problems of disobedience. Send for it, enclosing ten cents. Address your request to Mr. Angelo Patri, The Bell Library, c/o this newspaper, 247 West 43rd Street, New York, N. Y. (Copyright, 1937, The Bell Syn., Inc.)

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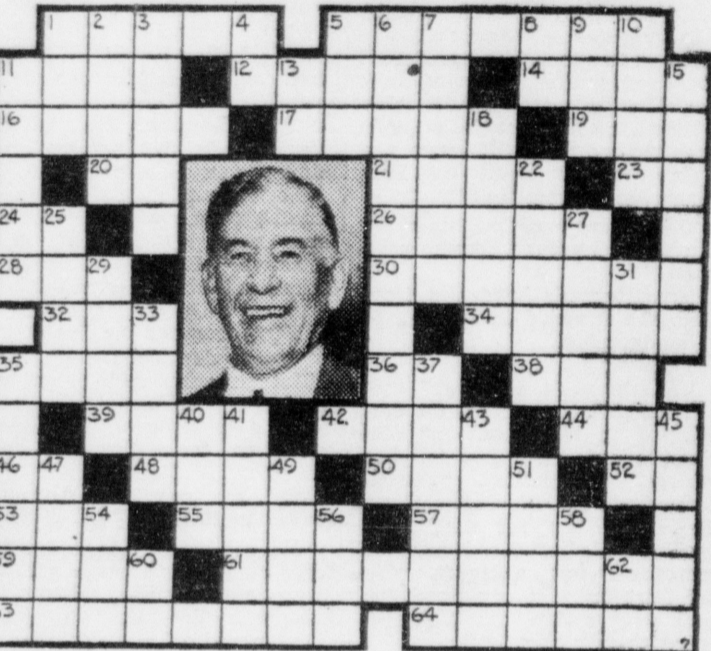
- 1, 5 Senator from Kentucky, pictured here.
- 11 To scoff.
- 12 To worship.
- 14 Greek god of war.
- 16 Persons for whose use things are done.
- 17 Assessment amount.
- 19 Female sheep.
- 20 Sun god.
- 21 Cow-headed goddess.
- 23 Senior.
- 24 To depart.
- 26 States of insensibility.
- 28 Unit of work.
- 30 Having but one face.
- 32 To help.
- 34 Lukewarm.
- 35 Genus of augs.
- 36 Form of "bc."
- 38 To perch.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

WILLIAM RUSSELL
ARAB VOTES TRIO
JOD REVILES NE
AN PARALYSIS SW
C VOLTS DORE
TRITE LULLIANERICA
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SE SATANICAL DY
AIR MATADOR YEM
AVID BEGEM ROAM
DEPOTS S BEAUTY

11 He was a

- in his home state.
- 13 Doctor.
- 15 He has — as lawmaker many years.
- 18 Restriction.
- 22 Money vaults.
- 25 Verbal.
- 27 Possessing flavor.
- 29 Fourth pint.
- 31 Quotes.
- 33 Costly.
- 35 Chaplet.
- 37 Unassuming.
- 40 Electrified particle.
- 41 Raccoon-type mammal.
- 43 Century plant.
- 45 Back of necks.
- 47 Precept.
- 49 Filth.
- 51 Smooth.
- 54 Reign.
- 56 Unprofessional.
- 58 Eagle.
- 60 Therefore.
- 62 Tonic D.



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